

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 485

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT WAIVING COURT FEES FOR CRIMINAL RECORDS PROVIDED TO FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 52-259a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):
- 3 (a) Any member of the Division of Criminal Justice or the Division
- 4 of Public Defender Services, any employee of the Judicial Department,
- 5 acting in the performance of such employee's duties, the Attorney
- 6 General, an assistant attorney general, the Consumer Counsel, any
- 7 attorney employed by the Office of Consumer Counsel within the
- 8 Department of Public Utility Control, the Department of Revenue
- 9 Services, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the
- 10 Freedom of Information Commission, the Board of Labor Relations,
- 11 the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities, the
- 12 Office of the Victim Advocate or the Department of Social Services, or
- any attorney appointed by the court to assist any of them or to act for
- any of them in a special case or cases, while acting in such attorney's
- 15 official capacity or in the capacity for which such attorney was
- appointed, shall not be required to pay the fees specified in sections 52-

- 17 258, 52-259, and 52-259c, subsection (a) of section 52-356a, subsection
- 18 (a) of section 52-361a, section 52-367a of the 2008 supplement to the
- 19 general statutes, subsection (b) of section 52-367b of the 2008
- 20 <u>supplement to the general statutes</u> and subsection (n) of section 46b-
- 21 231 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes.
- 22 (b) (1) The Immigration and Naturalization Service shall not be 23 required to pay any fees specified in section 52-259 for any certified
- 24 copy of any criminal record.
- 25 (2) The Office of the Federal Public Defender shall not be required to
- 26 pay any fees specified in section 52-259 for any certified copy of any
- 27 criminal record.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2008	52-259a	

## Statement of Purpose:

To exempt federal public defenders from paying court fees for certified copies of state criminal records.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]